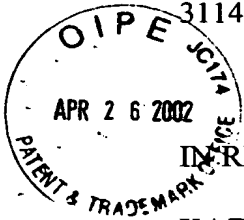


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FOR: COATING MATERIAL FOR FORMING
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed November 26, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

At page 35, please delete the Abstract of the Disclosure in its entirety and replace it with the Substitute Abstract of the Disclosure attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

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--3. (Amended) The coating agent according to claim 1, further comprising a polymerization initiator.

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